

Biosecurity Risk Assessment: Malicious Use Risk Groups

- **Nonpathogenic**
 - Malicious use would have insignificant or no consequences
- **Low**
 - Difficult to deploy, and/or
 - Malicious use would have few consequences
- **Moderate**
 - Relatively difficult to deploy, and
 - Malicious use would have localized consequences with low to moderate casualties and/or economic damage, and potentially cause pervasive anxiety
- **High**
 - Not particularly difficult to deploy, and
 - Malicious use could have national or international consequences, causing moderate to high casualties and/or economic damage, and the potential to cause mass panic and significant social disruption
- **Extreme**
 - Would normally be classified as highly attractive, except that they are not found in nature (eradicated)
 - Could include genetically engineered agents, if they would otherwise be classified as highly attractive